August 2004 Marine Mammal and Turtle Incidental Take Report

Observers in the Northeast Fisheries Observer Program (NEFOP) collect these data using standardized protocols. When the data are received, NEFSC staff verifies the identification and condition of the animals through the observer descriptions, biological samples collected and photographs. If the identification of an animal is in question, the DNA sample is analyzed to determine the species. However, the data used in this report is obtained from the observer program's OBSCON tables and is considered preliminary data as many of the database checks and audits have not yet been completed.

The following observed trips were completed during the month of August, 2004: 118 Anchored Sink Gillnet, 32 Drift Sink Gillnet, 1 Drift Floating Gillnet, 130 Bottom Otter Trawl, 28 Scallop Dredge, 10 Midwater Otter Trawl, 10 Midwater Paired Otter Trawl, 1 Pot and Trap, 3 Clam Dredge, 2 Bottom Longline, 1 Scottish Seine, 8 Purse Seine and 11 Closed Area Scallop. There were 5 aborted trips. The following takes were observed:

Trip Type	Trip ID*	Date Landed	Number of Takes	Species	Disposition
PS	B90009-	08/31/2004	1	gray seal	alive, not injured
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PS	C25022-	08/27/2004	1	harbor seal	alive, not injured
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ASG	C34076C	08/16/2004	1	harbor seal	dead, fresh
SD	C45014-	08/11/2004	1	loggerhead turtle	alive, injured
SD	C55017-	08/02/2004	1	loggerhead turtle	alive, injured
PS	C90028-	08/19/2004	1	harbor seal	alive, not injured
PS	C90028-	08/19/2004	1	gray seal	alive, not injured
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ASG	C94054C	08/29/2004	1	seal, nk	dead, condition unknown
ASG	D28017C	08/30/2004	1	harbor seal	dead, fresh
DSG	D31009C	08/04/2004	1	harbor seal	dead, fresh
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ASG	D35007C	08/10/2004	1	harbor seal	dead, fresh
PS	D20002-	08/06/2004	1	gray seal	alive, not injured
ASG	D45002C	08/23/2004	1	harbor seal	dead, fresh
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CAS	C77013-	08/22/2004	1	loggerhead turtle	dead, fresh

^{*&}quot;C" signifies a complete fish data collection trip (all hauls were observed for complete catch data); "-" signifies all other trips.

ASG = Anchored Sink Gillnet, CAS= Closed Area Scallop, DSG=Drift Sink Gillnet, PS= Purse Seine, SD= Scallop Dredge

Errata for July: 136 (not 137) Anchored Sink Gillnet and 18 (not 17) Drift Sink Gillnet trips were observed.

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